# **IOWA DISPOSAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship has launched a disposal assistance program to help pork producers who are unable to harvest pigs due to COVID-19 supply chain disruptions. The Iowa Disposal Assistance Program provides financial resources to help cover the cost of disposing of animals in an environmentally-sound way.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Producers must provide documentation, including proof of proper disposal, and an affidavit from their herd veterinarian confirming impending welfare issues, to receive funding.

## **PROGRAM DETAILS**

- The disposal assistance funding will be made available to Iowa producers in at least three rounds. Each approved applicant will receive funding for up to 30,000 animals per round, depending on the number of applicants.
- IDALS will not review the applications until all of the requested documents are received. Applicants will be informed of their approval/funding status within two days of the round's submission deadline (or as soon as all the documentation is received). Applicants who begin euthanasia and disposal before they receive approval, do so at their own risk.
- If an applicant's request is not fully funded, they can re-apply for funding during the next round.
- If there are remaining funds after all the obligations in a round are met, the excess funds will roll over to the next round.

## **APPLICATION**

To apply for the Iowa Disposal Assistance program, visit iowaagriculture.gov/idap. Questions about the program can be directed to (515) 281-5321 or IDAP@iowaagriculture.gov.













